ND EMS Update – COVID-19 04/02/2020

Daily Notes

- Watch Governor Burgum's update at 3:30 PM (CST) Monday through Saturday.
 This can be viewed on local news stations or on the NDDoH social media feeds.
- Please share our information and your expertise with Law Enforcement, Fire and other responders who may not get updates and who could encounter ill persons.
- Continue with daily screening and monitoring of your team.
- Remember to practice social distancing when you are on or off call. Help slow the spread!
- Initial evaluation of patient/incident should be done by one provider with a surgical mask, holding
 another surgical mask (in case there is need to issue to patient) from 6 feet away. If known COVID-19
 patient use the N95 mask, if available, and appropriate PPE.
- Please note on ePCRs all responders on scene and the PPE that was used. Include Fire, LE, QRU, etc. It is very important to submit ePCRs ASAP. The ePCR information is used for surveillance and trending.

New and Current Guidance/Items of Interest

- The National Association of State EMS Officials (NASEMSO) has a plethora of material related to COVID-19.
 - https://nasemso.org/resources/covid-19/
- CMS Waives Restrictions on Ground Ambulances During COVID-19 Pandemic | American Ambulance Association.
 - https://ambulance.org/2020/03/30/cms-waives-restrictions-on-ground-ambulances-during-covid-19-pandemic/

Links

- NDDOH Website https://www.health.nd.gov/
- CDC Website https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html
- ND HAN Website http://hanassets.nd.gov/
- EMS.gov Coronavirus/COVID-19 Resources https://www.ems.gov/projects/coronavirus covid-19 resources.html
- COVID-19 Peak Predictions https://covid19.healthdata.org/projections

Thank you again for all of your efforts on behalf of your fellow North Dakotans!

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